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**The Annual Awards are back**—this year they encompass 2020 and 2021.

**All VHOC members whose dog(s) completed a title in 2020 and/or 2021 are eligible to receive a title plaque**

**The Board just voted in two new annual awards -**

- **Rally Intermediate**
- **Rally Master**

**The Application form is Due July 15**

Please contact

Ann Hills at [tonkanuki@aol.com](mailto:tonkanuki@aol.com) with any questions!

**July General Membership Meeting Friday July 15th**

Please RSVP to Shiro Torquato by July 14th at [drshiro2000@gmail.com](mailto:drshiro2000@gmail.com)

The club will be providing **Pizza** and water, Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

This is a Scent Work Presentation by Jinny Chow—sorry no dogs, this is a presentation only with Demo dogs.



**REMINDER**

Remember to check the website <http://www.vhoc.org> for announcements, cancelled classes, upcoming events and other important club information.

If you know of a member who would appreciate receiving correspondence, such as a get-well card, sympathy card, etc., please email our Corresponding Secretary, Carole Hills, at [chills37@aol.com](mailto:chills37@aol.com)

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**Submission deadline is the 8th of each month**

**This is YOUR Newsette...make it great!**

# VHOC July Membership General Meeting

## VHOC IN PERSON

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Introduction to Nose work/Scent work

Presenter: Jinny Chow

**Date: Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: The Field

7722 White Oak Ave. Reseda

(Near the Corner of Saticoy and White Oak—East side of White Oak)

Dinner: Pizza and water will be provided by the club.

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Jinny will cover the basics of the sports of Nose work and Scent work. She will demonstrate searches with a few dogs who are at various levels of training and competition, and answer questions.

If you are interested in classes, Jinny will provide some resources.

**Please R.S.V.P. to Shiro Torquato by 7/14/22 [drshiro2000@gmail.com](mailto:drshiro2000@gmail.com)**

**This is a humans only event. *Sorry, no dogs.***

Jinny Chow began taking nose work classes in 2014 with her Sheltie, Jasmine. Today, Jasmine has earned her NACSW NW3 title and Master level AKC titles in all elements. Jinny also competes in scent work trials with her 9-year-old Papillon, Shocker as well as her 3-year-old Papillon, Lexie. Jinny has been involved with USCSS (United States Canine Scent Sports) since its inception and is a Judge for that organization. Jinny has taken classes with Michael and Natalie McManus, Penny Scott-Fox, Fred Helfers, Stacy Barnett, Amy Herot and Jill-Marie O'Brien. Jinny has been teaching scent work since 2019 and incorporates many different techniques and methods in her classes.



# VHOC Annual Awards

We still don't feel comfortable having a Awards Dinner, but we didn't want to wait, we are doing Awards and they will be available at the VHOC Obedience / Rally Trial in September.

**All VHOC members whose dog(s) completed a title in 2020 and/or 2021 are eligible to receive a title plaque,**

All of the awards cover both the 2020 and 2021 award periods. Your dog just needs to finish the last leg of the title in one of those two years.

## We are adding two new Awards Plaque's

- Rally Intermediate—High Scoring Rally Intermediate Award **NEW!**
  - ⇒  A perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the three legs of a Rally Intermediate title in any registry. The final leg must have been earned in the current year. Failures before or between legs are permitted. Title may be earned from the A or B class.
- Rally Masters—High Scoring Rally Master Award **NEW!**
  - ⇒  VHOC offers a perpetual award to the member whose dog has the highest aggregate scores earned on the ten legs of a Rally Master title in any registry. The final leg must have been earned in the current year. Failures before or between legs are permitted. Title may be earned from the A or B class.
- \* The board discussed it in the July Board Meeting and since AKC Rally does not differentiate between a virtually earned score for a leg, and a in person earned score, both virtual and in person Rally scores will be accepted for the Rally plaques.

Awards will be available for pick-up at our September 17-18 Obedience & Rally Trials in Moorpark, or other arrangements may be made.

**The Application form is Due July 15**

**You can fill out the form, scan it and email it to Ann.**

—for more details on awards submissions, Please contact  
Ann Hills at [tonkanuki@aol.com](mailto:tonkanuki@aol.com) with any questions!



# Valley Hills Obedience Club

Obedience and Rally Trial—September 17 and 18, 2022

**ENTRIES ARE OPEN**—ENTRIES CLOSE SEPTEMBER 2nd

Event Secretary Larry Ribbeck

Trial Chairperson—Roxanne Stevenson

The premium is up and available on the VHOC Website, and the AKC website.

## Ring Stewards Needed!!

**Please contact Roxanne Stevenson  
to volunteer  
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### JUDGES for the Valley Hills Obedience Club Rally and Obedience Trials

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

BONNIE LEE.....Utility B, Utility A, Preferred Utility, Versatility,  
Beginning Novice B, Beginning Novice A

CARL LENTZ .....Open B, Open A, Preferred Open, Graduate Open,  
Graduate Novice, Novice B, Novice A, Preferred Novice

SHANNON JONES .....All Rally Classes

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

BONNIE LEE.....Open B, Open A, Preferred Open, Graduate Open,  
Graduate Novice, Novice B, Novice A, Preferred Novice

CARL LENTZ .....Utility B, Utility A, Preferred Utility, Versatility,  
Beginning Novice B, Beginning Novice A

SHANNON JONES .....All Rally classes

# Friday June 24th General Meeting was a great success !!



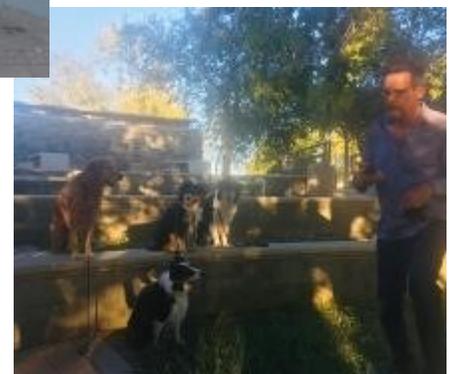
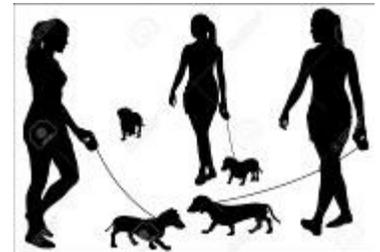
We finally had a in person General Meeting that had some attendance and went on as planned.



Laurie Burnam was the meeting leader and reports -

“We had a great time, including partners and a mom there were 12 that attended and 13 dogs of every breed.

Shiro brought delicious strawberries, brownies and cold water. Linda Brooks homemade cookies, I gave out dog toys and along with the walk we did tricks and obedience moves. It started out a bit warm but soon was a pleasant evening. Attending was Shiro with Lab Archer, Laurie with 2 Aussies Scusi and Tesla, Linda Brooks with Lab Olive, Trudi Schoolhouse with 2 Std Poodles Sebastian and Simone, Yvonne Garst with Berner Herman, David Zelitzky with BC Rigley and Golden Rush, Vicki and her husband Oliver with Golden Mazey and mix puppy, a potential new member Celine and her mom with a GSD, and another couple Linda and I were not sure of his name with a GSD puppy.



# 27 Breeds Experts Say Are Best for Families With Allergies

Analysis by [Dr. Karen Shaw Becker](#)

## STORY AT-A-GLANCE

If you or a family member loves dogs or cats but is allergic to them, you've probably at least considered that a "hypoallergenic" pet might make sense for you

According to the science, there's no truly hypoallergenic dog or cat, however, there are certain breeds that are considered better for allergy sufferers than others

There are many things you can do to minimize pet allergens in your home for the comfort of sensitive family members; my number one tip is to feed your dog or cat a raw diet, since raw food significantly decreases pets' allergenicity

If you're sensitive to airborne irritants such as dust or pollen, you're at higher-than-average risk for pet allergies as well. According to the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA), three in ten people with any allergy will also be allergic to cats and/or dogs.<sup>1</sup>

## The Myth of Hypoallergenic Dogs and Cats

If you love dogs but know or suspect you have an allergy to them, chances are you've investigated the possibility of getting a "hypoallergenic" pet. As the story goes, these are breeds that trigger less sneezing, itchy or watery eyes, and other allergic symptoms in sensitive people.

The reality is that the existence of [hypoallergenic dogs](#) or cats is mostly a myth, and no one seems to know how it got started, since researchers have yet to uncover scientific evidence to prove the theory.

A 2011 study published in *The American Journal of Rhinology and Allergy* concluded that the amount of [dog allergens found in households](#) with dogs does not vary depending on the breed.<sup>2</sup> In other words, families with so called "hypoallergenic" dogs are living with the same level of allergens in their homes as people with non-hypoallergenic pets.

Study researchers measured the level of the most common dog allergen, *Canis familiaris* 1, or Can f 1, found in the homes of 173 families that owned one dog. Out of the 173 samples, only 10 had less than measurable amounts of Can f 1. No matter what type of dog was in the home, there was no significant difference in the level of allergens measured. The researchers concluded:

*"There was no evidence for differential shedding of allergen by dogs grouped as hypoallergenic. Clinicians should advise patients that they cannot rely on breeds deemed to be 'hypoallergenic' to in fact disperse less allergen in their environment. Additional scientific investigation into dog-specific factors and whether hypoallergenic breeds truly exist is warranted."*

An estimated 10% of Americans are allergic to household pets, and cat allergies are twice as common as dog allergies. Most people with cat allergies react to Fel d 1, a protein found on cat skin (although there are other cat allergens as well found on the fur and in saliva).<sup>3</sup>

The Fel d 1 protein is quite small, so when it's attached to a piece of airborne cat hair or skin, it can linger in the air for hours — much longer than a dog allergen would typically stay airborne. Meanwhile, the Fel d 1 protein is quite sticky, so it readily attaches to your clothing and skin, and can even be transferred quite easily to public locations that have no cats present, like a school classroom.

## 27 Breeds Experts Say Are Best for Families With Allergies—continued

Male cats tend to produce more of this allergenic protein than female cats – especially if they’re not neutered. However, all cats (including hairless cats) produce the Fel d 1 protein, and it’s not related to the amount of dander or shedding.

### ‘Less-Allergenic’ Dog and Cat Breeds

According to the American Kennel Club (AKC):

*“While no dog is 100% hypoallergenic, it’s possible to find less-allergenic dog breeds that are better suited for allergy-sufferers. These dogs have a predictable, non-shedding coat that produces less dander.*

*Dander, which clings to pet hair, is what causes most pet allergies in people. Even though dogs that are hypoallergenic don’t truly exist, many breeds make it possible to enjoy the companionship of a dog, even if you suffer from allergies.”<sup>4</sup>*

The following are the best breeds for allergy sufferers, according to the AKC:

Afghan Hound	Schnauzer (all 3 sizes)	Poodle (all 3 sizes)
American Hairless Terrier	Irish Water Spaniel	Portuguese Water Dog
Bedlington Terrier	Lagotto Romagnolo	Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier
Bichon Frise	Maltese	Spanish Water Dog
Chinese Crested	Peruvian Inca Orchid (Hairless)	Xoloitzcuintli
Coton de Tulear		

As with dogs, there are no truly hypoallergenic cat breeds.<sup>5</sup> That being said, some cat breeds may be better for pet lovers with allergies than others, and the 10 that follow are said to be among the most “hypoallergenic” of all cat breeds.<sup>6</sup>

Balinese	Cornish Rex
Russian Blue	Siberian
Bengal	LaPerm
Devon Rex	Sphynx
Oriental Shorthair	Javanese

## 27 Breeds Experts Say Are Best for Families With Allergies—continued

### Why Less Allergenic Breeds Can Still Make You Sneeze

Simply put, it's not all about the coat since pet hair itself isn't an allergen. It's the proteins in urine, saliva, and dander (dead skin cells) that trigger an allergic response. Your pet's coat may collect dander and other allergens such as pollen, but even hairless dogs and cats can release allergens into your home. Per the AAFA:

*“Cat and dog allergens are everywhere. Pet allergens are even in homes and other places that have never housed pets. This is because people can carry pet allergens on their clothing. Also, allergens can get into the air when an animal is petted or groomed.*

*Pet allergens can also be stirred into the air where the allergens have settled. This can happen during dusting, vacuuming or other household activities. Once airborne, the particles can stay suspended in the air for long periods.”<sup>7</sup>*

The immune systems of those who are allergic to dogs and/or cats react to otherwise harmless proteins, leading to a hypersensitivity response that can include itchy eyes and sneezing, rashes, swelling, wheezing and difficulty breathing. Some people are allergic to all dogs or all cats while others are more sensitive to certain breeds than others, according to the AAFA.

### 15 Ways to Minimize Pet Allergens at Home

Fortunately, in my experience, most people who are allergic to furry companions find ways to manage that don't involve giving up or going without an animal. The [benefits of sharing life with a pet](#) seem to outweigh the bother of mild allergies for most animal lovers. If you're on the fence about whether or not to get a pet, why not consider [fostering](#) a dog or cat first to see how things go?

1. Feed your pet an anti-inflammatory, nutritionally complete, fresh (preferably raw) species-specific diet. Raw food significantly decreases pets' allergenicity; their saliva is less reactive, and they shed far less. Ultraprocessed dry and canned foods are deficient in DHA and EPA (the critical essential fatty acids that reduce dandruff and excessive shedding), while well-formulated fresh diets contain an abundance of these nutrients. This is my top tip for super-sensitive people and in my experience, the most effective one on this list. It will take rescued pets 3 months on a raw food diet to become less reactive for sensitive humans; be patient.
2. Consider making your bedroom (or the bedroom of your allergic family member) a pet-free zone. This means your dog or cat can't enter the room for any reason.
3. Purchase a good quality [air purifier](#) to help clean the indoor air of allergens and other pollutants, and change filters when recommended.
4. To prevent a buildup of allergens inside your home, if possible, replace carpeting with hard flooring, replace drapes and curtains with non-fabric window coverings, and avoid cloth-covered (upholstered) furniture.
5. Clean your home often and thoroughly, including any surfaces that trap pet hair and dander (couch covers, pillows, bedding, etc.).
6. Wash human and pet bedding frequently in hot water.
7. Bathe your pet often using only safe, non-drying organic [pet shampoos](#).
8. If your pet rides in the car with you, consider using washable seat covers.
9. Sensitive family members should wash their hands after handling a pet. If you've been snuggling on the couch with your furry friend, consider a shower and shampoo before lights out to avoid bringing pet allergens to bed with you. If your children roll around on the floor or grass with their animals, they should also bathe or shower and shampoo before bed, so they don't transfer pet allergens onto their pajamas and bedding.

## 27 Breeds Experts Say Are Best for Families With Allergies—continued

10. Allow kids to be kids. Let your children play outside and get dirty, and use regular soap, not antibacterial soap, for hand washing and bathing.

Research into the hygiene hypothesis, which is the theory that humans can be too clean for their own good and underexpose their immune systems to common microbes in the environment, has provided compelling evidence that kids exposed to pets before their immune systems are fully developed at around age two are less likely to develop allergies than children without pets in the home.

11. Consider taking a probiotic supplement and/or eating traditionally fermented foods. A healthy gut microbiome is important for proper immune system function, and research indicates doses of good bacteria help train the immune systems of infants to resist childhood allergies.
12. Also consider taking quercetin, which is a bioflavonoid with anti-inflammatory and antioxidant properties. I call it “nature’s Benadryl” because it suppresses the release of histamine, which is what causes much of the inflammation, redness, and irritation characteristic of an allergic response.
13. Bromelain and papain are proteolytic enzymes that increase the absorption of quercetin and suppress histamine production. I recommend using quercetin, bromelain, and papain together because they suppress the release of prostaglandins, which are also a factor in the inflammatory process.
14. Omega-3 fatty acids help decrease inflammation throughout the body. One of the best sources of omega-3 fatty acids is ethically sourced [krill oil](#). Consider supplementing with both krill oil and coconut oil. Coconut oil contains lauric acid, which helps decrease production of yeast, and together they can help moderate or suppress the inflammatory response.
15. Make sure your pet’s essential fatty acid requirements are met. By assuring she has optimal levels of [omega-3 fatty acids](#) in her diet, you can dramatically reduce shedding and dander.

Reducing the allergen load in your home and minimizing allergic reactions to your pets will help every member of the family, two-legged and four-legged, live more comfortably together.

[https://healthypets.mercola.com/sites/healthypets/archive/2022/05/29/hypoallergenic-pets.aspx?ui=5963fa72777326fa4fef384f03b1c5d2ad0e0c886af26676cf4b732582c67670&sd=20211001&cid\\_source=petsnl&cid\\_medium=email&cid\\_content=art1ReadMore&cid=20220529Z1&mid=DM1175633&rid=1504172646](https://healthypets.mercola.com/sites/healthypets/archive/2022/05/29/hypoallergenic-pets.aspx?ui=5963fa72777326fa4fef384f03b1c5d2ad0e0c886af26676cf4b732582c67670&sd=20211001&cid_source=petsnl&cid_medium=email&cid_content=art1ReadMore&cid=20220529Z1&mid=DM1175633&rid=1504172646)

Submitted by Allison Pobirs

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# VHOC Training Classes

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**Obedience - Beginning Competitive - Thursday 6:30, Simi Valley**

**Obedience - Open / Utility Obedience—Thursday 7:45, Simi Valley**

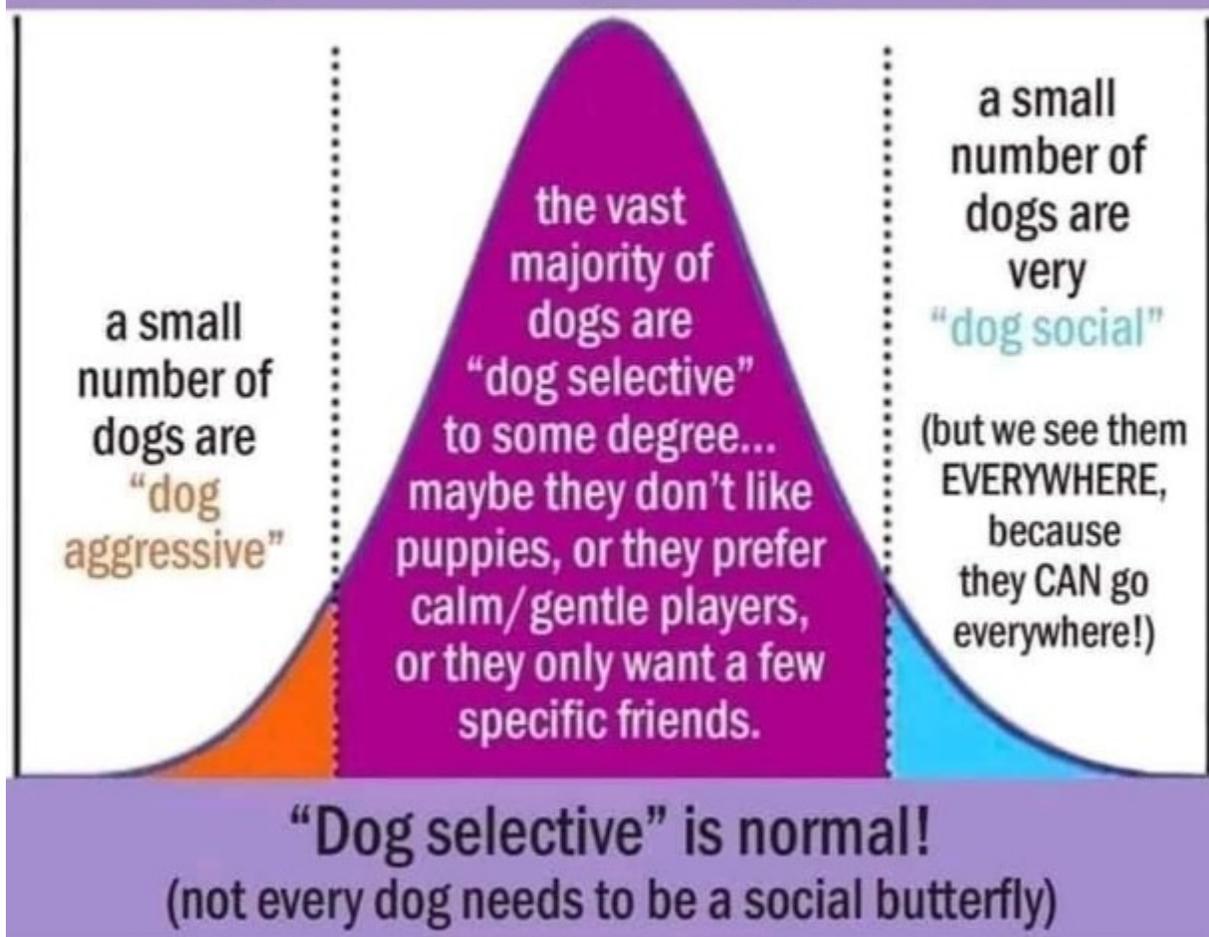
Instructor: Patti Rovtar, For more information, please contact Patti Rovtar at [pattirovtar@gmail.com](mailto:pattirovtar@gmail.com)

**Agility - Skills & Drills - Mondays 6:30 and 7:30, Reseda**

Instructor: Olga Chaiko, For more information, please contact Ann at [tonkanuki@aol.com](mailto:tonkanuki@aol.com)

VHOC Website— <https://www.vhoc.org/copy-of-group-classes>

## Dog Sociability is a Spectrum



Submitted by Allison Pobirs

# Do the Dew(claws)?

Article courtesy of M. Christine Zink DVM, PhD, DACVSMR.

I work exclusively with canine athletes, developing rehabilitation programs for injured dogs or dogs that required surgery as a result of performance-related injuries. I have seen many dogs now, especially field trial/hunt test and agility dogs, that have had chronic carpal arthritis, frequently so severe that they have to be retired or at least carefully managed for the rest of their careers. Of the over 30 dogs I have seen with carpal arthritis, only one has had dewclaws.

If you look at an anatomy book (Miller's Guide to the Anatomy of Dogs is an excellent one "see Figure 1 below) you will see that there are 2 major, functioning tendons attached to the dewclaw. Of course, at the other end of a tendon is a muscle, and that means that if you cut off the dew claws, there are major muscle bundles that will become atrophied from disuse."

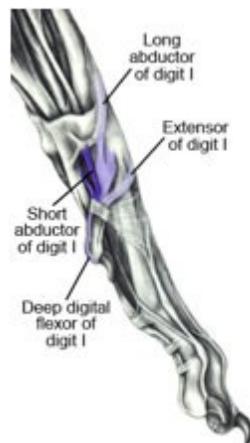


Figure 1. Anatomical diagram viewing the medial side of a dog's left front leg demonstrating the five tendons that attach to the dewclaw.  
—from Miller's Guide to the Dissection of the Dog

Those muscles indicate that the dewclaws have a function. That function is to prevent torque on the leg. Each time the foot lands on the ground, particularly when the dog is cantering or galloping (see Figure 2), the dewclaw is in touch with the ground. If the dog then needs to turn, the dewclaw digs into the ground to support the lower leg and prevent torque. If the dog doesn't have a dewclaw, the leg twists. A lifetime of that and the result can be carpal arthritis, or perhaps injuries to other joints, such as the elbow, shoulder and toes. Remember: the dog is doing the activity regardless, and the pressures on the leg have to go somewhere.

## Do the Dew(claws)? - continued

Perhaps you are thinking, “None of my dogs have ever had carpal pain or arthritis.” Well, we need to remember that dogs, by their very nature, do not tell us about mild to moderate pain. If a dog was to be asked by an emergency room nurse to give the level of his pain on a scale from 0 to 10, with 10 being the worst, their scale would be 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. Most of our dogs, especially if they deal with pain that is of gradual onset, just deal with it and don’t complain unless it is excruciating. But when I palpate the carpal joints of older dogs without dewclaws, I frequently can elicit pain with relatively minimal manipulation.

As to the possibility of injuries to dew claws. Most veterinarians will say that such injuries actually are not very common at all. And if they do occur, then they are dealt with like any other injury. In my opinion, it is far better to deal with an injury than to cut the dew claws off of all dogs “just in case.”



Figure 2. In this galloping dog, the dewclaw is in touch with the ground. If the dog then needs to turn to the right, the dewclaw digs into the ground to support the lower leg and prevent torque.

<https://sugarfactoryvetclinicmt.com/resources/medical-articles/do-the-dew-claws/>

Submitted by Allison Pobirs and Monica Nolan

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# Tick Paralysis

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German Shepherds Health Matters

Monica Loveall June 13, 2022

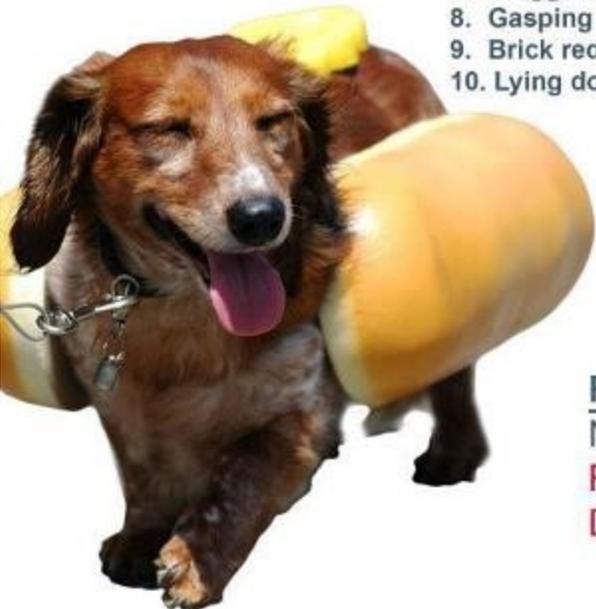


Don't rule anything out..Last Wednesday I saw my German Shepherd, Bodie fall on the stairs, a bad landing, nothing serious. At the time he seemed alright, and I thought nothing of it. We went on to work and he acted normal. When we got home going up the stairs, he lost control of his back end and once inside on the wood/tile floors he was really struggling. He went to bed, and I thought he had some muscle pain. The next morning there was no improvement, he was a bit worse. We went to the vet, told what I saw happen on the stairs, they did X-rays that showed a small fracture in a bone spur and age-appropriate arthritis. I was given meds and sent home told to follow up if anything worsens and let him rest. That is what we did. I helped him up and down the stairs to potty, By Saturday morning he was losing control of all legs and not sitting up with rapid breathing. I immediately called the vet and gave them this information, waiting on a call back and researching other causes of rapid decline in motor skills, then I remembered a story about another small dog with similar symptoms, healthy and not walking in 24 hours. At the time I asked some locals about it and the ones that hunt knew all about this phenomenon called tick paralysis. I started searching his body for anything. He was my healthy boy on Wednesday morning and by Saturday morning unable to control his legs or even hold himself up, a rapid decline for sure. Then I found a tick on his tail. When the vet called back, and I mentioned this they thought I was delusional or maybe too hopeful. I was given the advice to go to emergency vet 2 hours away. I had removed the tick and contacted the emergency vet they had no specialist on staff over the weekend so no in-depth diagnostic until Monday. I would have been there as soon as they opened. They could only hospitalize him, if needed. I decided to rest him at home and take him in if he got worse. One hour after removing the tick his breathing started to normalize and he started sitting up and looking around. I thought I was seeing him improve but I also realized that I was looking for anything to hold onto. Three hours he got out of bed and went to the door, still stumbling, and tried to bark at FedEx (he hates that guy). Six hours I walked in the door, and he was on the couch (first time since Wednesday), he immediately jumped up and brought me a toy. Still stumbling some but only on the back end. The next morning, he was able to do the steps on his own. Thirty-six hours he was back to running down the stairs. This morning forty-eight hours he is back. I am so grateful that I remembered the story and it was a tick. Also, glad we caught the arthritis and can help him out with it. He is only 10 and got a great report on his yearly checkup. A creature the size of my pinky nail tried to take down my German Shepherd. Crazy... According to the American Lyme Disease Foundation there are 40 species of ticks that paralyze worldwide and 5 in North America, and it looks like Florida has most of them.



# Know the Signs of Heat Exhaustion

1. Vigorous Panting
2. Elevated Heart Rate
3. Excess Salivation – sometimes thickened
4. Vomiting
5. Diarrhea
6. Weakness
7. Staggering
8. Gasping
9. Brick red gums, or purple, or blue
10. Lying down and refusing to get up



[Click to Read Action Steps](#)

**Rectal Temperatures**  
Normal = 101<sup>o</sup> to 102<sup>o</sup> F  
Requires Action = 104<sup>o</sup>  
Dire Emergency = 106<sup>o</sup>

**Don't forget to enter our trials at Stone Pony in Moorpark**

**<http://wwdat.us/upcoming-trials/>**

7/28 and 7/29 VHOC (Action Dog Sports) Agility - judge Cynthia Blanton **(closes July 20th) Night Trial**

8/4 VHOC (Action Dog Sports) Agility - judge Tricia Dunseith **(closes July 26th) Night Trial**

9/15 and 9/16 VHOC (Action Dog Sports) Agility—judge Shannon Jones **Night Trial**

**9/17 and 9/18—VHOC's Annual Rally Trial and Obedience Trial at Stone Pony in Moorpark Daytime**

11/6 VHOC (Action Dog Sports) Agility—judge Barbara Bounds

**12/9, 12/10 and 12/11 VHOC's Annual Agility Trial at Stone Pony in Moorpark**

# BRAGS

## Jennifer Voogt and Cali

Cali earned her NATCH at the Rino Agility Trial on the 24th! Yay!



# New NATCH

Congratulations  
Jen and Cali



A little background on NADAC and the NATCH -

The North American Dog Agility Council (NADAC) was formed in 1993 to provide North American dogs and their handlers with a fast, safe and enjoyable form of the sport of dog agility. NADAC sanctions agility trials sponsored by affiliated clubs.

NATCH (NADAC Agility Trial Champion): A NATCH is earned when a dog has earned: 130 Points in Jumpers 130 Points in Chances 230 Points in Regular

**Sarah Sykes and Tele**

Tele earned her **SD (senior) dock diving title** with NADD / AKC with her last two legs earned on 7/10/22!

She jumped 17', 17' 6, 17', 17' 6 and 18' for the five legs needed to earn the title.

Life in Colorado is suiting us all well, and next we'll be back in the obedience rings to work on Open

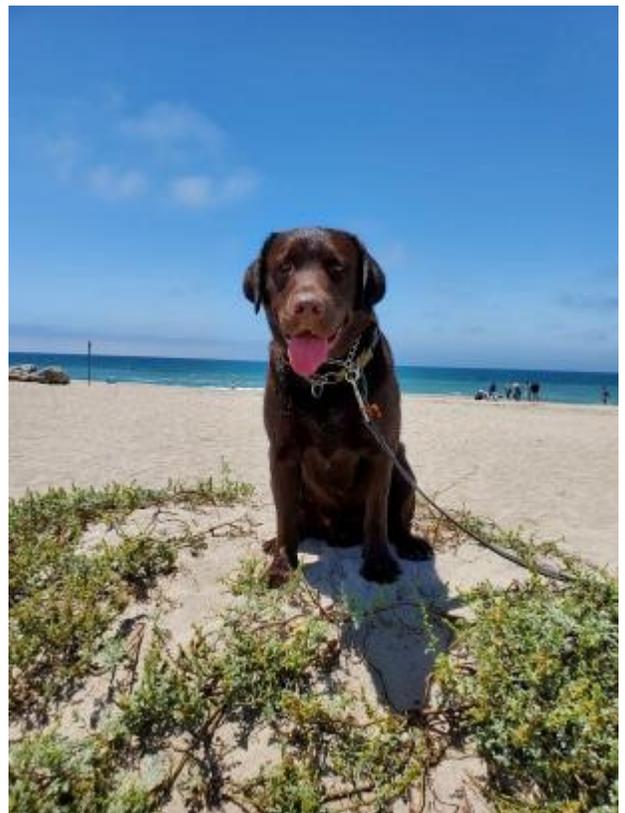


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**Shiro Torquato and Archer**

Archer earned his **Rally Novice title** last month.

We earned the first leg at the VHOC trial last September and two virtual legs last month, scoring 96 and 97. We will be back in the Rally ring for Intermediate at the VHOC trial this September.



**Laurie Burnam with Scusi and Tesla**

ASCSC Agility, Juniper Hills, June 18/19, 2022

**Scusi**

Elite Gamblers 1	10 Q/Place 2
Elite Jumpers 1	10 Q/Place 2
Elite Regular 1	10 Q/Place 3
Elite Regular 2	10 Q/Place 3
Elite Jumpers 1	10 Q/Place 3
Elite Jumpers 2	10 Q/Place 2
<b>- obtained 100 points towards her ATCH 4 requirement</b>	
Elite Regular 1	10 Q/Place 2
Elite Regular 2	10 Q/Place 3



**Tesla**

Novice Gamblers 2	10 Q/Place 2
Novice Regular 1	10 Q/Place 1
Novice Gamblers 1	10 Q/Place 1
<b>Novice Gamblers Title #40 - GS-N</b>	
Novice Jumpers 1	10 Q/Place 1
Novice Regular 1	5 Q/Place 2

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Just a reminder that it gets hot fast and it will effect your dogs paws faster that it will effect you. If you have to walk in the heat—walk on the grass, it might not be as level for you, but it will save your dogs paws, and you a possible vet bill.



Yolanda Rios

**Monica Nolan with Augie and Rosie**

SCCC Agility trial (7/2-7/3) - 2 Qs in Master's JWW

Augie, "How can I help?"

From wild puppy to compassionate canine, Augie is now a **certified Therapy Dog** through Love on a Leash. Thanks to Kathy Spilos and Mike Curtis for supporting us through his probationary period.

In June, Augie got a Father's Day surprise- his daughter Rosie, who was in need of a new home. Same temperament, same zest for life. Almost two peas in a pod.

Summer Rose and August Nights



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Rosie is from a 2019 breeding to "Blessedhope Skies the Limit". The only red in a litter of seven!

Congratulations on "Rosie" your new Family member, and on Augie becoming a Therapy Dog

**VHOC Obedience and Rally Trial**

**September 17 and 18, 2022**

**1/2 a day, a day both days please help**

**Ring Stewards Needed!!**

**Please contact Roxanne Stevenson**

**to volunteer**

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**Debbie Lang with Max, Morgan and Panda**

High Desert Agility Club trial at Stone Pony, Moorpark, June 10-12

6/12—Panda—**MFP title** overall Master FAST Q #69

American Toy Fox Terrier agility trial at Stone Pony, Moorpark, June 16

6/16 – Max—2nd MX leg 2nd place

6/16—Max—T2B Q #4—8 points

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ASCSC—ASCA Trial at Sunrise Ranch, Juniper Hills, June 17-18

Panda—

06/18/2022

Gamblers 1 Q-10/2<sup>nd</sup> place  
 Gamblers 2 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place  
 Jumpers 1 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place  
 Regular 1 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place  
 Regular 2 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place

06/19/2022

Gamblers 2 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place  
 Jumpers 1 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place  
 Jumpers 2 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place  
 Regular 1 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place  
 Regular 2 Q-10/1<sup>st</sup> place

American Toy Fox Terrier agility Trial at Stone Pony, Moorpark, June 22-23

6/22– Morgan—**AX Title**

6/23—Max T2B Q #5—7 points

Ventura County Scent Work Club agility trial at Stone Pony, Moorpark, June 28-29

6/29—Panda—Preferred Double Q #8, Triple Q #6, **MJP Title**

6/29—Morgan—2nd AXJ leg—1st place

6/29—Morgan—**OF Title**—1st place—score of 71

6/29—Max—Excellent FAST 1st leg—1st place score of 70

**Don't forget the  
 General Meeting  
 Friday July 15th**





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